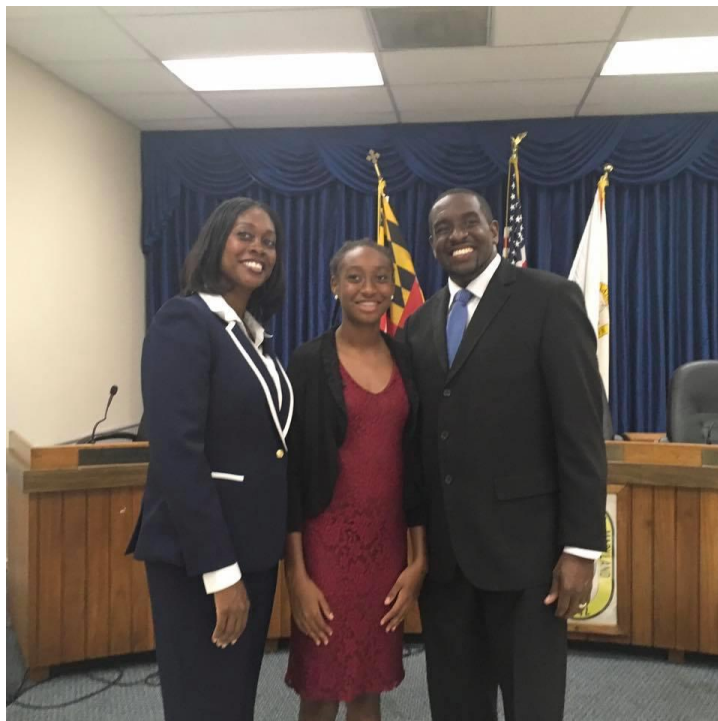


# THE MAYOR'S REPORT

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**Monday, October 9, 2017**

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# **Mayor Takisha James October 2017 Community Report**

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## **Meetings & Events**

### **1. 450 Coalition Meeting held by Senator Benson**

Key topics addressed during the meeting were:

- Lottery revenue as it relates to Prince George's County: Attendees had questions regarding the amount of money received by Prince George's County from the Lottery and Gaming Agency. Overall gaming revenue reached \$1.421 billion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Of that revenue, \$451.2 million was contributed to the Education Trust Fund. Residents asked for clarification on whether or not revenue from the agency is consistent with what residents were told when the newest casino, MGM, was proposed. Senator Benson agreed to reach out the Lottery and Gaming Agency to request that staff come to the next coalition meeting to answer questions from the community.
- Maglev Train Update: An update was given by Mrs. Linda Tucker, a Bowie resident, who has conducted extensive research on the train. She reviewed the proposed routes and streets impacted by this new train and fielded questions from the audience. (See attachments.) It's important to engage more community members in the upcoming meetings to ensure that the voices of Bladensburg residents and the Port Towns community are heard moving forward. The next community meeting will be held at Bowie State University on October 14<sup>th</sup> but I'm in the process of reaching out to Senator Benson to ask her to bring the experts to Bladensburg for a meeting with residents from the Port Towns community.
- University of Maryland Capital Region Health System: The CEO & President, Mr. Neil Moore, talked about the partnership with the State of Maryland, Prince George's County, University of Maryland Medical System, University System of Maryland, and Dimensions Healthcare System. The goal of this partnership is to improve access for primary/community care, reduce healthcare disparities, strengthen/coordinate care continuum, as well as integrate university-based teaching and research. All of these efforts will provide residents with high quality, clinically advanced medical care.

### **Upcoming Meetings/Events**

- Maglev Open House – Saturday, October 14, 2017 (10:00 am - 1:00 pm)  
Bowie State University, Student Center, 14000 Jericho Park Rd, Bowie, MD 20715  
Attendees will have the opportunity review and comment on the:
  - Preliminary alternatives screening analysis results
  - Overview of alternatives recommended for detailed study
  - Technology and engineering features
  - Preliminary station information
  - The 2017 Veteran's Day Program is scheduled for Saturday, November 11, 2017 at Peace Cross.
- Next Mayor and Council Meeting – November 13, 2017
  - Work Session at 5:30PM / Televised Council Meeting at 7:00PM